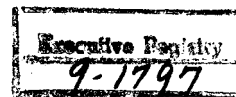




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Dear Fearré:

In connection with a NATO project currently under way, we are exploring possible means of increasing the retaliatory capabilities in West Europe. The survival of several of the systems under investigation would depend upon their capability to disperse rapidly and often. This "dispersal rate" must be reasonably secure from the probable Soviet reporting system--i.e., a weapon should preferably be moved within the estimated time it takes for a Soviet report to be channeled back into the hands of Soviet operations.

We should like to discuss this problem informally with appropriate members of your staff to get some idea of what is believed to be the Soviet surveillance time-lag from West Germany, France, Norway, Italy and Turkey. Colonel E. H. Beverly, USAF, and Eddie Mayer are prepared to discuss this problem with your staff.

OSD REVIEW COMPLETED

S. E. ANDERSON
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